Claims 9-12, 14 and 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pare, Jr. et al. Claim 9 has been amended the limitations of previous Claim 13. In view of the indication of allowable subject matter for Claim 13, Applicant respectfully submits

that Claim 9, and all claims dependent therefrom, are allowable over the art of record and a

Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Claims 29-31, 33, 38 and 39 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being

unpatentable over Pare, Jr. et al., in view of Houvener et al. Claim 29 has been amended to

include the previous limitations of Claim 32. In view of the indication of allowable subject

matter for Claim 32, the Applicant respectfully submits that Claim 29, and all claims

dependent therefrom, are allowable over the art of record and a Notice of Allowance is

respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and comments, the Applicant respectfully

submits that all pending Claims are allowable over the art of record and a notice of

Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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